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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

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In re Application of) CC Docket No. 94-11
TELEPHONE AND DATA SYSTEMS, INC.) File No. 10209-CL-P-715-B-88
For facilities in the Domestic)
Public Cellular Telecommunications)
Radio Service on Frequency Block)
B, in Market 715 Wisconsin 8)
(Vernon), Rural Service Area)

To: The Honorable Joseph P. Gonzalez
Administrative Law Judge

REPORT ON STATUS OF PREPARATION AND FILING
OF SETTLEMENT DOCUMENTS AND PLEADINGS
AND REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL
THIRTY DAY SUSPENSION OF PROCEDURAL DATES

Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. ("TDS"), United States Cellular Corporation ("USCC"), the Wisconsin 8 Settlement Group (the "Settlement Group"),¹ BellSouth Mobility Inc ("BellSouth") and the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (the "Bureau") hereby submit a report on the status of the preparation and filing of the settlement documents and other pleadings proposed to resolve this proceeding. The parties request an additional thirty days, until Monday, June 19, 1995, to submit for approval the various pleadings which, if favorably acted upon, would greatly simplify

¹ The Settlement Group includes Coon Valley Farmers Telephone Company, Inc., Farmers Telephone Company, Hillsboro Telephone Company, Inc., LaValle Telephone Cooperative, Mount Horeb Telephone Company, Richland-Grant Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Vernon Telephone Cooperative, Century Cellunet, Inc., Contel Cellular, Inc., Monroe County Telephone Company, Pacific Telecom Cellular, Inc., and Viroqua Telephone Company.

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this proceeding and result in an earlier resolution of the issues pending in this proceeding. In support of this request, the parties state as follows:

The Presiding Judge has granted suspensions of the procedural dates in this proceeding until May 17, 1995 to permit the parties time to submit for approval various pleadings related to the proposed resolution of the issues pending in the proceeding. See Order, FCC 95M-74, released March 16, 1995; Order, FCC 95M-110, released April 20, 1995. The definitive agreements and pleadings required to be filed have not yet been completed, received and executed. The parties therefore request an additional thirty days to complete the process of preparing and filing these documents. The grant of additional time is warranted.

I. BellSouth Settlement Documents.

On March 30, 1995, TDS, USCC and BellSouth filed with the Presiding Judge and the Bureau concurrent Joint Requests seeking approval of the Definitive Settlement Agreement between TDS, USCC, and BellSouth and various of their affiliates. TDS, USCC and BellSouth prepared and filed the thirteen FCC applications necessary to obtain FCC consent for the transactions that effectuate the settlement. All but two of the FCC applications have been granted. The one "long form" assignment application has been placed on Public Notice. The Joint Request

and the pro forma FCC application dependent upon approval of the Joint Request await FCC action.²

II. The Settlement Group Settlement Documents.

On March 10, 1995, TDS, USCC and the Settlement Group, by counsel, executed a letter Agreement in Principle.³ Counsel for TDS, USCC and the Settlement Group have substantially completed the drafting of the Definitive Settlement Agreement, the Partnership Interest Purchase Agreement and an Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership. Additional time is necessary to compile the final drafts and to secure their approval and execution. Because the settlement involves the sale and purchase of interests in the on-going business of the Wisconsin 8 wireline cellular system, the documents covering this purchase must be approved by the appropriate governing bodies of all companies that are parties to the purchase and sale.

III. TDS, USCC, and The Bureau.

Counsel for TDS, USCC and the Bureau are in the process of preparing a Joint Motion For Summary Decision and its accompanying documents. The exchange of that document was

² TDS, USCC and BellSouth filed twelve pro forma FCC applications, including a pro forma application regarding the Baton Rouge MSA, and one long form application.

³ A copy of that Agreement in Principle has been filed with the Commission.

delayed due to the extensive record and issues that are the subject of the Motion, as well as the schedule of counsel for USCC. The Joint Motion will be ready for review by the Bureau within three days.

IV. An Additional Thirty Days Suspension is Necessary and Warranted.

TDS and USCC had hoped to complete the process of negotiating and submitting all definitive settlement agreements and pleadings within the suspensions previously granted by the Presiding Judge. Given the volume of documents involved, however, and the significant review required, this has not been possible. Counsel believe, however, that the additional time should be sufficient time to conclude the preparation, review, negotiation and execution of these documents.

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, the parties respectfully request an additional 30 day suspension of the procedural dates in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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